

In the matter of Amateur Radio restructuring, I support the ARRL petition with the following two exceptions: Automatic upgrading of Technician class licensees to General class without the prescribed testing being administered and passed by the applicant, and the retention of the morse code testing requirement. The FCC commissioners, in the first restructuring proposal, made note that morse code testing would have been eliminated had it not been for the international requirement which was still in effect at the time. Now that that requirement has been set aside, I urge the commissioners to proceed in the direction that had been contemplated in their earlier determination. The automatic upgrading of Technician class licensees to General class without the appropriate test while the previous General class licensees and all future General class licensees must still take and pass the test creates potential problems for the FCC and the Amateur service. Other than those two points I support this proposal.

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